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I. THE FOUNDATION OF OPPRESSION: Abuse of Power & The Building Blocks of Authoritarianism

To resist effectively, you must understand the difference between your human rights and your immigration status. The system relies on **compliance through fear**.

- **The Rights Framework:** Every person on U.S. soil—regardless of status—has rights under the U.S. Constitution, specifically the **5th Amendment** (right to remain silent) and **4th Amendment** (protection against unreasonable searches).
- **The Enforcement Strategy:** Agencies rely on you *waiving* these rights. They use intimidation, confusing language ("administrative warrants"), and public raids to coerce consent.
- **Core Resource:**
- **ACLU Immigrants' Rights:** https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/immigrants-rights

II. THE 50-STATE NGO DIRECTORY (Legal Aid & Rapid Response)

Do not Google "immigration lawyer" blindly. This often leads to scams ("notarios"). Use these verified databases to find accredited non-profit legal aid or private counsel.

1. **National Immigration Legal Services Directory (Non-Profit/Free)**
- *Best for:* Finding free legal aid by zip code and detention center.
- **Link:** https://www.immigrationadvocates.org/legaldirectory/
1. **DOJ Accredited Representatives Roster**
- *Best for:* Verifying if a non-lawyer is authorized by the government to represent you.
- **Link:** https://www.justice.gov/eoir/recognition-and-accreditation-program
1. **AILA - American Immigration Lawyers Association (Private)**

- *Best for:* Finding a vetted, private attorney (requires payment).
- **Link:** https://www.ailalawyer.com/

III. FINANCIAL DEFENSE: Bail & Bond Funds (How to pay ransom)

If bond is granted, it is 100% upfront. **Avoid private companies (e.g., Libre by Nexus)** that charge monthly fees for GPS shackles.

1. **National Bail Fund Network**
- *Action:* Use their directory to find a community fund in your state that pays bonds for free (no repayment required).
- **Link:** https://www.communityjusticeexchange.org/nbfn-directory
1. **Freedom for Immigrants (Bond Fund)**
- *Action:* National fund specifically for immigration detention.
- **Link:** https://www.freedomforimmigrants.org/national-bond-fund

IV. THE DOOR PROTOCOL (Warrants) (Judicial vs. Administrative)

The 4th Amendment protects your home. **Never open the door.** Speak through the closed door. Ask them to slide the warrant under it.

1. **The "Administrative" Warrant (FAKE)**
- **Visuals:** Form I-200 or I-205. Signed by an "Immigration Officer" or "Field Office Director."
- **Power:** Does **NOT** grant authority to enter your home.
- **Action:** Keep the door closed. Say: *"This is not signed by a judge. Please leave."*
- **Visual Guide:** ILRC Warrant Comparison PDF
1. **The "Judicial" Warrant (REAL)**
- **Visuals:** Signed by a **Judge** or **Magistrate**. Has a court seal (e.g., U.S. District Court).
- **Power:** Grants entry.
- **Action:** Verify the address. If they enter, remain silent.

V. FIELD MANUAL: Recording & OpSec (How to film without arrest)

Filming police is a First Amendment right, provided you do not physically interfere.

1. **The Protocols:**
- Keep 6-10 feet of distance ("Arm's length").
- Do not speak to the officers or the person being arrested (anything you say can be used against them).
- Livestream if possible to prevent deletion.
1. **Resource:**
- **Witnessing Raids Toolkit (Palante Tech):** https://palantetech.coop/

VI. INTELLIGENCE GATHERING: Documenting Agents & Vehicles (Safe Identification)

Documentation is distinct from filming. This involves gathering actionable intelligence on *who* is operating in your community while maintaining safety.

1. The S.A.L.U.T.E. Reporting Method

- **S - SIZE:** How many agents? How many vehicles?
- **A - ACTIVITY:** What are they doing? (Surveillance, knocking on doors, arresting someone, checkpoint?)
- **L - LOCATION:** Exact address, intersection, or GPS pin. Note the direction of travel.
- **U - UNIT/UNIFORM:**
- *ICE ERO:* Usually "POLICE" vests with "ICE" patches.
- *HSI:* Plainclothes or tactical gear.
- *CBP:* Olive green uniforms.
- *Local:* Sheriff or PD (indicates collusion).

- **T - TIME:** Precise time of the sighting.
- **E - EQUIPMENT:** What gear do they have? (Rifles vs. handguns, door rams, shields, body armor?)

2. Vehicle Identification

- **Plates:** Look for U.S. Government plates. They are often long and thin, usually starting with "P" (Postal/Bureau) or "G" (General).
- **Unmarked Cars:** Note the Make, Model, Color, and any visible placard on the dashboard.
- **Collusion Check:** Are local police cars (PD or Sheriff) present? If so, note their car numbers.

3. Safety Protocol

- **Blind Spots:** Never stand directly behind a reversing SUV.
- **Egress:** Always position yourself so you have an exit route; do not let agents corner you against a wall.

VII. DIGITAL ARMOR: Security & Privacy (VPNs, Signal, Hardening)

Your phone is a tracking device. Secure it.

1. **Communication:** Use **Signal** for all sensitive communication. Turn on "Disappearing Messages."
- **Link:** https://signal.org/
1. **Web Browsing:** Use a VPN (Virtual Private Network) to mask your location. Recommended: **Mullvad** or **ProtonVPN**.
- **Resource (EFF Surveillance Self-Defense):** https://ssd.eff.org/
1. **Biometrics:** Disable FaceID/TouchID before protests or traveling. Use a 6-digit passcode. Police can legally force a fingerprint; they cannot legally force a passcode without a court order.

VIII. BUREAUCRATIC DEFENSE: FOIA & The "A-File" (Getting your records)

You cannot fight a deportation case if you don't know what the government knows about you.

1. **The "A-File" (Alien File):** This contains your entire immigration history. You get it by filing a FOIA (Freedom of Information Act) request.
2. **Where to File:**

- **USCIS FOIA Portal (Form G-639):** https://www.uscis.gov/records/request-records-through-the-freedom-of-information-act-or-privacy-act

1. **Tip:** Request your file *before* you are in removal proceedings if possible.

IX. ACCOUNTABILITY: Reporting Abuse (Filing complaints)

If agents abuse their power (assault, theft, coercion), file a formal federal complaint.

1. **DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL):**

- Investigates abuses by ICE/CBP.
- **Complaint Portal:** https://www.dhs.gov/file-civil-rights-complaint

1. **Office of the Inspector General (OIG):**

- For reporting corruption or criminal misconduct by agents.
- **Link:** https://www.oig.dhs.gov/hotline

X. LANGUAGE JUSTICE: Indigenous Interpreters (Rights for non-Spanish speakers)

If you speak an Indigenous language (e.g., Mam, K'iche', Mixteco) and not Spanish/English, you have the right to an interpreter in that specific language. Do not let them force you to sign documents in Spanish.

1. **Resource:**
- **International Mayan League:** Advocacy for Indigenous language rights.
- **Link:** https://www.mayanleague.org/
1. **Prompt:** *"No hablo español. Hablo [Language]. Necesito un intérprete."*

XI. RECOMMENDED APPS & TOOLS (Community Alerts)

1. **Mobile Justice (ACLU):** Records video and automatically sends it to the ACLU, preserving evidence even if your phone is destroyed.
- **Link:** https://www.aclu.org/issues/criminal-law-reform/reforming-police/aclu-apps-record-police-conduct
1. **WhatsApp/Signal:** Establish "Phone Trees" with trusted neighbors to alert the community of sightings.

XII. SITUATIONAL AWARENESS RESOURCES (Video Training Library)

1. **United We Dream:** Extensive library of videos showing re-enactments of raids and how to behave.
- **Link:** https://unitedwedream.org/resources/know-your-rights/
1. **Informed Immigrant:** Step-by-step guides for different scenarios (home, work, street).
- **Link:** https://www.informedimmigrant.com/

XIII. FINDING A DETAINEE (Search methods)

If a loved one disappears, check the online system immediately.

1. **ICE Online Detainee Locator System (ODLS):**
- *Requirements:* A-Number and Country of Birth OR Full Legal Name and Date of Birth.
- **Link:** https://locator.ice.gov/odls/
1. **Bureau of Prisons (BOP) Locator:**
- If they are being held on criminal charges (e.g., "Illegal Re-entry") rather than civil immigration charges.
- **Link:** https://www.bop.gov/inmateloc/

XIV. PEACEFUL PROTEST & CREATIVE RESISTANCE: Narrative Control & PPE

1. **National Lawyers Guild (NLG):**
- Provides "Legal Observers" (green hats) for protests to document police misconduct.
- **Link:** https://www.nlg.org/
1. **Safety:**
- Wear nondescript clothing.
- Cover identifiable tattoos.
- Write the number of a legal aid group on your arm in permanent marker before protesting.

XV. WHAT TO DO: Best Practices & Preparedness (Proactive Defense)

Do not wait for a raid to prepare.

1. **Family Preparedness Plan:** Designate who picks up the children if parents are detained.
- **ILRC Plan Guide:** https://www.ilrc.org/family-preparedness-plan

1. **Power of Attorney:** Sign a limited Power of Attorney document giving a trusted person authority to make decisions for your children or finances if you are detained.
2. **The "Red Card":** Carry a Know Your Rights card to hand to agents so you don't have to speak nervously.

XVI. WHAT NOT TO DO: The "Fatal Errors" List (Critical traps to avoid)

1. **NEVER Open the Door ("Even a Crack"):** Do not open the door "just to talk." If you open the door, they can push past you and claim you "consented."
2. **NEVER Lie to an Agent:** Lying to a federal officer is a felony (18 U.S.C. § 1001). **The Safe Path:** Exercise your **Right to Remain Silent**.
3. **NEVER Run:** Running gives agents "Reasonable Suspicion" to chase and detain you. Walk away calmly if you are not being detained.
4. **NEVER Carry Fake Documents:** Carrying a fake green card, social security card, or driver's license is a federal crime.
5. **NEVER Carry a Foreign ."
6. **NEVER Sign Anything Without a Lawyer:** Agents will pressure you to sign a "Voluntary Departure." This waives your right to see a judge and results in immediate deportation.
7. **NEVER Discuss Your Status in Jail:** Do not discuss your immigration status with cellmates (who may be snitches) or on the phone.
8. **NEVER Consent to a Search:** If they search you, state clearly: **"I DO NOT CONSENT TO THIS SEARCH."**

XVII. EMERGENCY HOTLINES (Print & Memorize)

- **Reporting Raids:** United We Dream - **1-844-363-1423**
- **Detained Children (ORR): 1-800-203-7001**
- **Detention Center Abuse:** Freedom for Immigrants - **209-757-3733** (Code 9233 inside)

- **Human Trafficking: 1-888-373-7888**
- **Crisis/Suicide: 988**

XVIII. THE 50-STATE NGO DIRECTORY (Local Legal Aid & Defense Hubs)

Note: Organizations listed are non-profits/NGOs. They are not the government.

State	Organization Name	Phone	Website
Alabama	Hispanic Interest Coalition of Alabama	(205) 942-5505	hicaalabama.org
Alaska	Alaska Institute for Justice	(907) 279-2457	akijp.org
Arizona	The Florence Project	(520) 868-0191	firrp.org
Arkansas	Arkansas United	(479) 763-2822	arkansasunited.org
California	CHIRLA	(888) 624-4752	chirla.org
Colorado	RMIAN	(303) 433-2812	rmian.org

Connecticut	CT Institute for Refugees & Immigrants	(203) 336-0141	cirict.org
Delaware	Community Legal Aid Society	(302) 575-0660	declasi.org
Florida	Florida Immigrant Coalition	(888) 600-5762	floridaimmigrant.org
Georgia	GLAHR	(770) 457-5232	glahr.org
Hawaii	Legal Aid Society of Hawaii	(808) 536-4302	legalaidhawaii.org
Idaho	Idaho Org of Resource Councils	(208) 991-4451	iorcinfo.org
Illinois	National Immigrant Justice Center	(312) 660-1370	immigrantjustice.org
Indiana	Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic	(317) 429-4131	nclegalclinic.org
Iowa	Iowa Migrant Movement for Justice	(515) 255-9809	iowammj.org

Kansas	Sunflower Community Action	(316) 264-9972	sunfloweract.org
Kentucky	Maxwell Street Legal Clinic	(859) 233-3840	kyjustice.org
Louisiana	ISLA	(504) 475-4752	islaimmigration.org
Maine	Immigrant Legal Advocacy Project	(207) 780-1593	ilapmaine.org
Maryland	CASA de Maryland	(301) 431-4185	wearecasa.org
Massachusetts	MIRA Coalition	(617) 350-5480	miracoalition.org
Michigan	Michigan Immigrant Rights Center	(734) 239-6863	michiganimmigrant.org
Minnesota	Immigrant Law Center of Minnesota	(651) 641-1011	ilcm.org
Mississippi	MIRA (Alliance)	(601) 968-5182	yourmira.org

Missouri	MICA Project	(314) 995-6995	mica-project.org
Montana	Montana Immigrant Justice Alliance	(406) 594-5549	mijamt.org
Nebraska	Immigrant Legal Center	(402) 898-1349	immigrantlc.org
Nevada	PLAN	(775) 348-7557	planevada.org
New Hampshire	NH Legal Assistance	(603) 224-4107	nhla.org
New Jersey	AFSC Immigrant Rights (Newark)	(973) 643-1924	afsc.org/office/newark-nj
New Mexico	NM Immigrant Law Center	(505) 247-1023	nmilc.org
New York	Make the Road NY	(833) 644-8669	maketheroadny.org
North Carolina	Carolina Migrant Network	(980) 256-9967	carolinamigrantnetwork.org

North Dakota	Legal Services of North Dakota	(800) 634-5263	legalassist.org
Ohio	Advocates for Basic Legal Equality	(800) 837-0814	ablelaw.org
Oklahoma	Dream Action Oklahoma	(405) 212-3265	daok.org
Oregon	Innovation Law Lab	(503) 922-3042	innovationlawlab.org
Pennsylvania	PA Immigration & Citizenship Coalition	(215) 832-0615	paimmigrant.org
Rhode Island	Progreso Latino	(401) 728-5920	progresolatino.org
South Carolina	SC Appleseed Legal Justice Center	(803) 779-1113	scjustice.org
South Dakota	SD Voices for Peace	(605) 782-9560	southdakotavoicesforpeace.org
Tennessee	TIRRC	(615) 833-0384	tnimmigrant.org

Texas	RAICES	(210) 222-0964	raicestexas.org
Utah	Comunidades Unidas	(801) 487-4143	cuutah.org
Vermont	Migrant Justice	(802) 658-6770	migrantjustice.net
Virginia	Legal Aid Justice Center	(434) 977-0553	justice4all.org
Washington	NW Immigrant Rights Project	(206) 587-4009	nwirp.org
West Virginia	ACLU of West Virginia	(304) 345-9246	acluwv.org
Wisconsin	Voces de la Frontera	(414) 643-1620	vdlf.org
Wyoming	Wyoming Immigrant Advocacy Project	(307) 632-6338	aclu-wy.org

PRINTABLES

STOP

NO ICE ACCESS IN THIS BUSINESS

STOP

PRIVATE PROPERTY – ENTRY RESTRICTED BY LAW

NOTICE TO ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT & IMMIGRATION AGENTS

- **This is a private business. You are not permitted to enter non-public areas of this business (including offices, break rooms, storage areas, and staff-only areas) without a valid JUDICIAL WARRANT signed by a judge or magistrate.**
- **An ICE administrative warrant (Form I-200 or I-205) does not authorize entry into private areas of this business.**
- **You may not question employees or search the premises without proper legal authority.**
- **All employees and visitors have the right to remain silent and the right to an attorney.**

IF YOU ATTEMPT TO ENTER THIS BUSINESS WITHOUT A VALID JUDICIAL WARRANT, YOU WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE.

IF YOU PRESENT A JUDICIAL WARRANT, PLEASE NOTIFY MANAGEMENT AND LEGAL COUNSEL IMMEDIATELY BEFORE PROCEEDING.

IF YOU ENTER, YOU ARE TRESPASSING, AND WE WILL SEEK LEGAL RECOURSE.

This policy is in compliance with:

- U.S. Constitution, 4th Amendment
- California Government Code Section 7285.1
- California Labor Code Section 1019.2
- Immigrant Worker Protection Act (AB 450)

Usted tiene derechos constitucionales:

- **NO ABRA LA PUERTA** si un agente de inmigración está tocando la puerta.
- **NO CONTESTE NINGUNA PREGUNTA** de un agente de inmigración si trata de hablar con usted. Usted tiene el derecho a guardar silencio.
- **NO FIRME NADA** sin antes hablar con un abogado. Usted tiene el derecho de hablar con un abogado.
- Si usted está fuera de su casa, pregúntele al agente si tiene la libertad de irse y si le dice que sí, váyase con tranquilidad.
- **ENTRÉGUELE ESTA TARJETA EL AGENTE.** Si usted está dentro de su casa, muestre la tarjeta por la ventana o pásela debajo de la puerta.

Usted tiene derechos constitucionales.

• **NO ABRA LA PUERTA** SI UN AGENTE DEL SERVICIO DE INMIGRACION ESTA TOCANDO A LA PUERTA.

• **NO CONTESTE NINGUNA PREGUNTA DEL AGENTE** DEL SERVICIO DE INMIGRACION SI EL TRATA DE HABLAR CON USTED. Usted tiene derecho a mantenerse callado. No tiene que dar su nombre al agente. Si está en el trabajo, pregunte al agente si está libre para salir y si el agente dice que sí, váyase. Usted tiene derecho de hablar con un abogado.

• **ENTREGUE ESTA TARJETA AL AGENTE. NO ABRA LA PUERTA**

I do not wish to speak with you, answer your questions, or sign or hand you any documents based on my 5th Amendment rights under the United States Constitution.

I do not give you permission to enter my home based on my 4th Amendment rights under the United States Constitution unless you have a warrant to enter, signed by a judge or magistrate with my name on it that you slide under the door. I do not give you permission to search any of my belongings based on my 4th Amendment rights.

I choose to exercise my constitutional rights.

These cards are available to citizens and noncitizens alike.

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RIGHTS CARD

Al funcionario de inmigración u otro tipo de funcionario:

En este momento elijo ejercer mis derechos legales.

- Permaneceré en **silencio**, y me niego a responder a sus preguntas.
- Si me detienen, tendré el derecho de comunicarme con un abogado **inmediatamente**.
- **Me niego** firmar cualquier documento sin haber consultado con un abogado.

- Gracias

Nombre de Abogado:_____

Teléfono:_____

Report Area	Information to Report
Size	The number of persons and vehicles seen or the size of an object
Activity	Description of enemy activity (assaulting, fleeing, observing)
Location	Where the enemy was sighted (grid coordinate or reference point)
Unit	Distinctive signs, symbols, or identification on people, vehicles, aircraft, or weapons (numbers, patches, or clothing type)
Time	Time the activity is observed
Equipment	Equipment and vehicles associated with the activity